

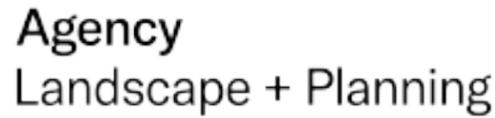
An aerial view of the Cleveland skyline, featuring several prominent skyscrapers and a river in the foreground. A large circular graphic is overlaid on the image, consisting of a blue ring on the left and a green ring on the right, with paint splashes extending from each. Inside the circle, the text "ONE VISION. ONE RIVER. ONE CLEVELAND." is displayed in a sans-serif font.

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**VISION FOR THE
VALLEY**

PROJECT TEAM

Project Overview



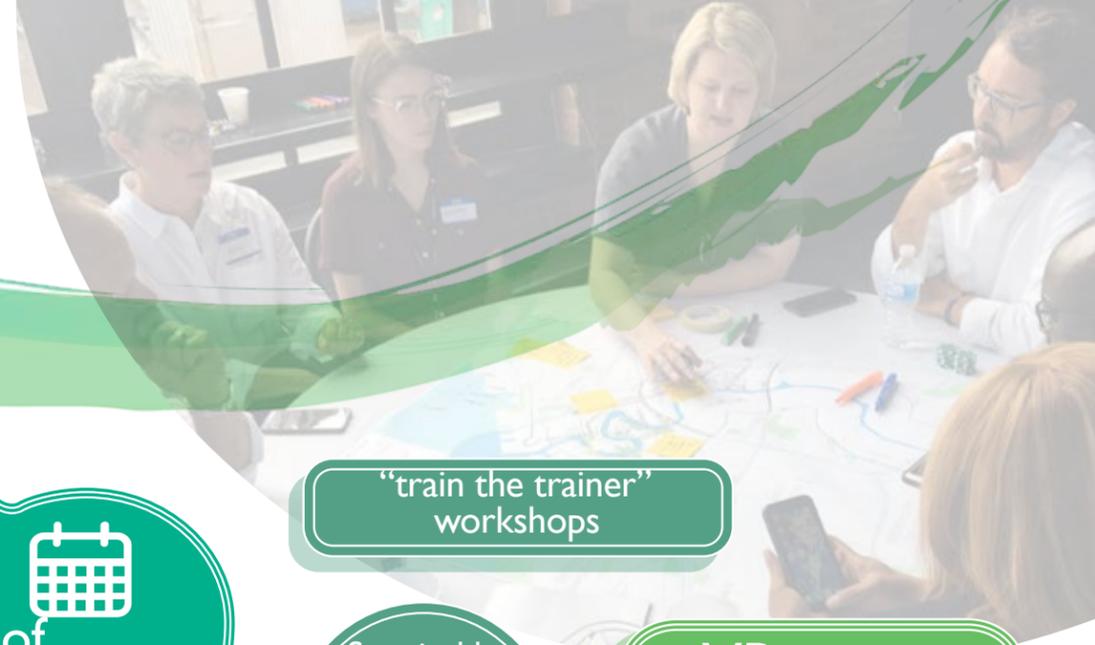
THE CONSULTANT TEAM

THE CLIENT TEAM



OVERALL OUTREACH

Project Outreach



800+
meeting
participants



social
media

interactive
website map
feedback

9
Months of
Engagement



"train the trainer"
workshops

Sustainable
Cleveland
Summit
Expo

VR
drone
tours



14
Community
Meetings



discovery
+ design
charrettes

live audience smart-
phone surveys

4
Stakeholder
Meetings

online
community
survey

in-person
local
outreach

3
Open
Houses



PURPOSE - WHY

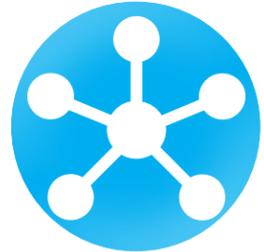
**We believe that our
riverfront and lakefront
shape our City and our
community.**

HOW WE WILL ACHIEVE OUR PURPOSE AND VISION

Purpose Lens



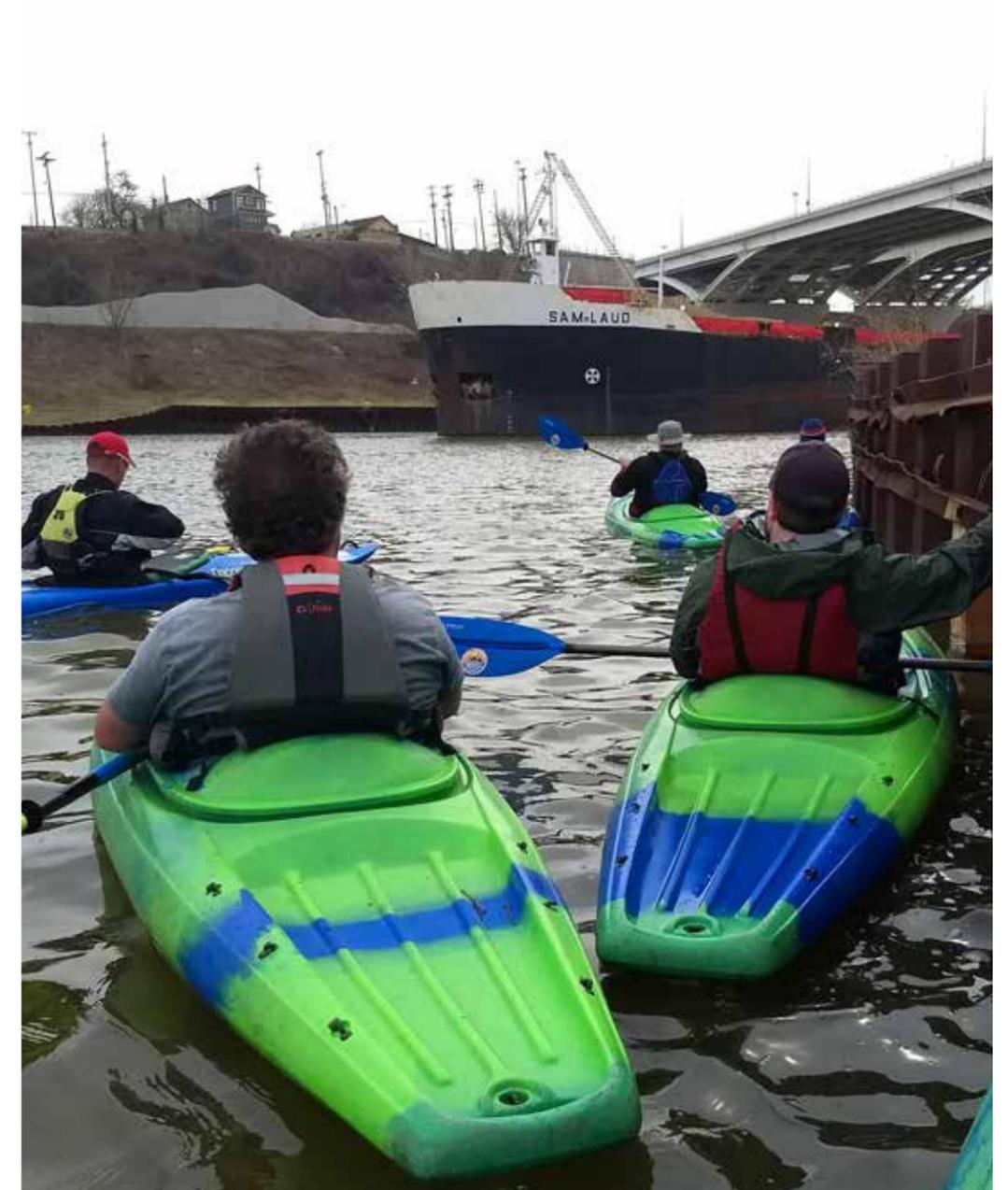
Protect the health and safety of our waterway



Modernize the river, Port, and land infrastructure

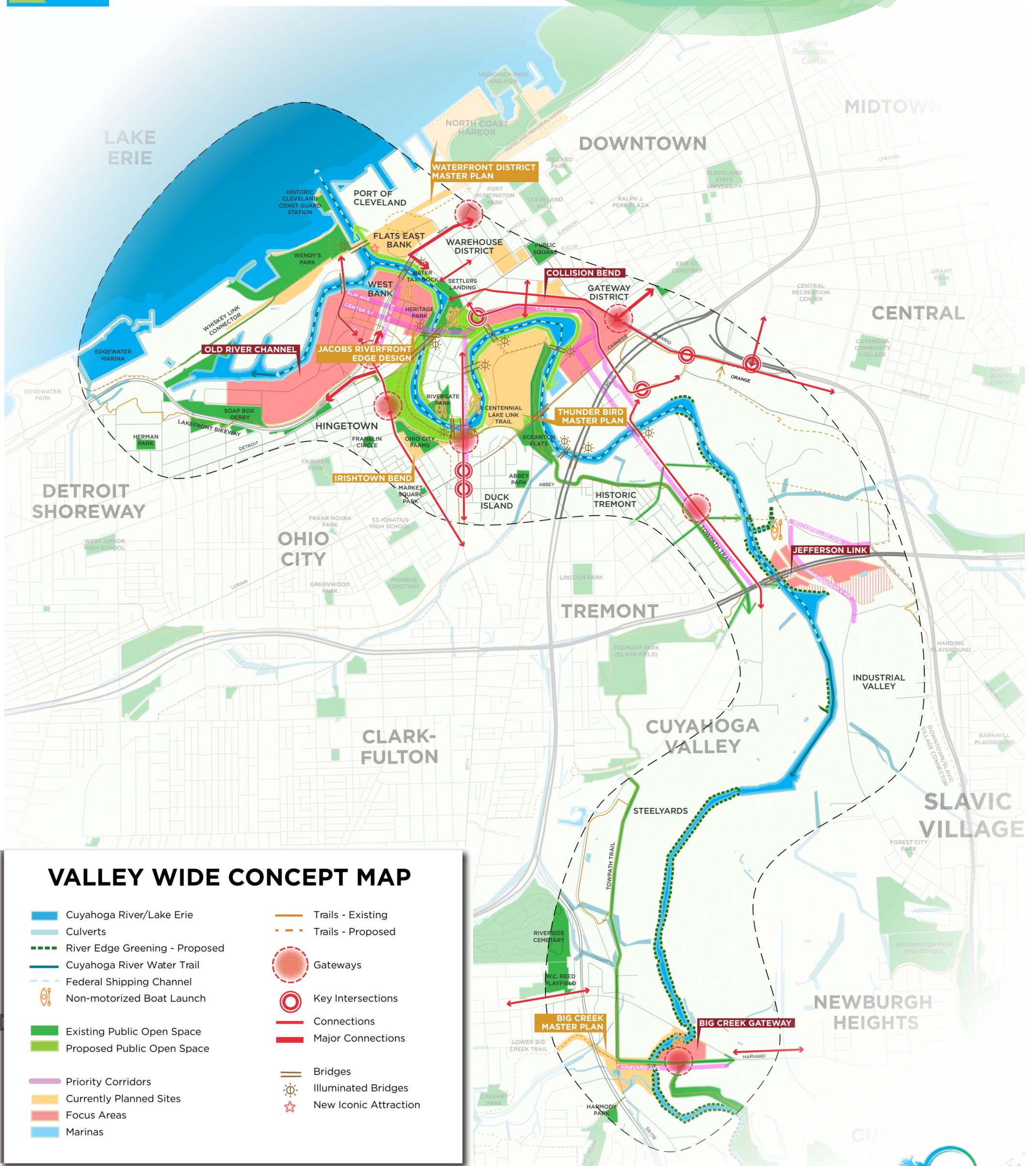


Build awareness of the river and river valley



CONCEPT MAP

Valley Wide Recommendations

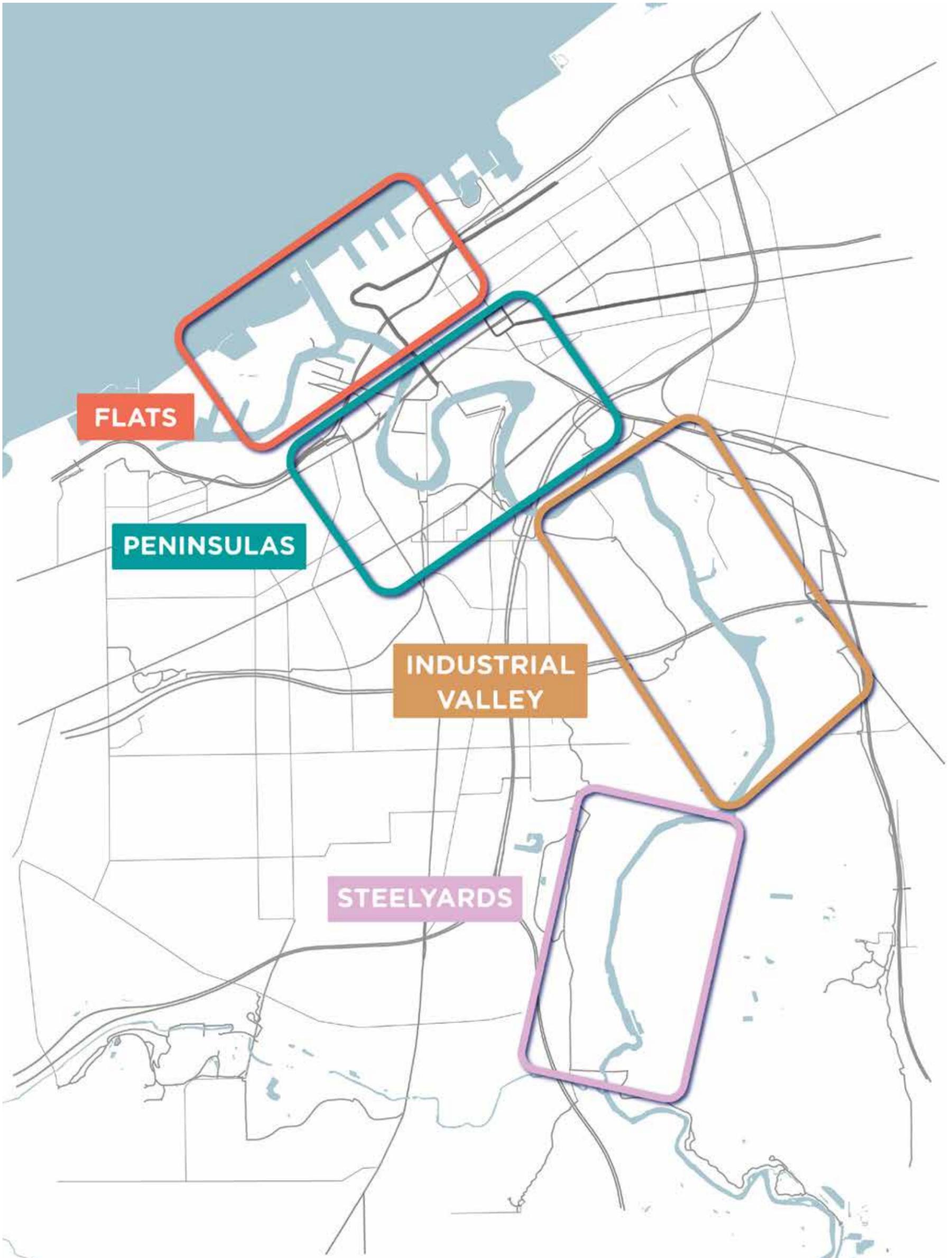


VALLEY WIDE CONCEPT MAP

- Cuyahoga River/Lake Erie
- Culverts
- River Edge Greening - Proposed
- Cuyahoga River Water Trail
- Federal Shipping Channel
- Non-motorized Boat Launch
- Existing Public Open Space
- Proposed Public Open Space
- Priority Corridors
- Currently Planned Sites
- Focus Areas
- Marinas
- Trails - Existing
- Trails - Proposed
- Gateways
- Key Intersections
- Connections
- Major Connections
- Bridges
- Illuminated Bridges
- New Iconic Attraction

VALLEY DISTRICTS

Valley Districts



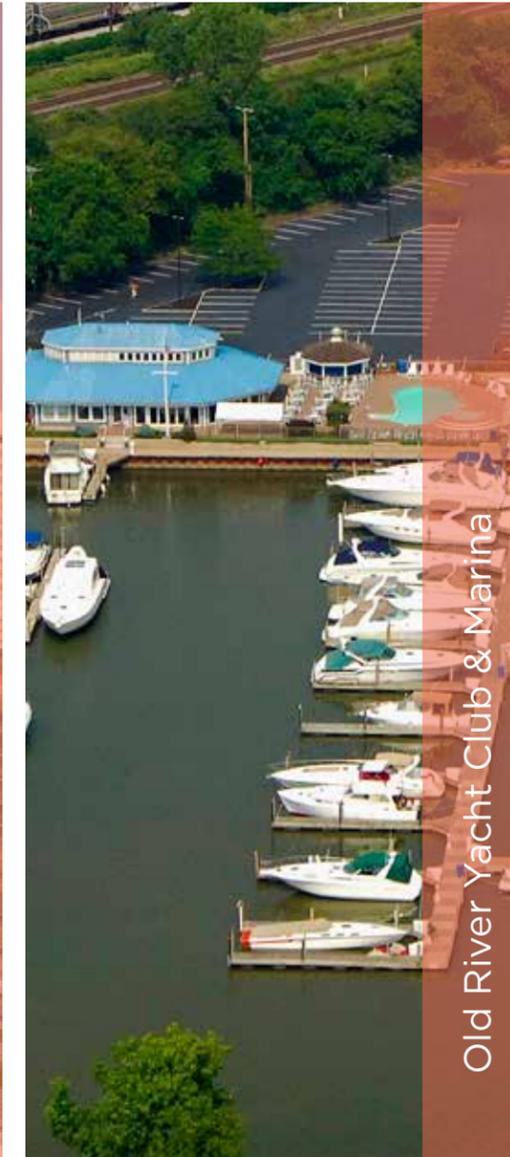
DISTRICT CHARACTER

Valley Districts



Flats

Where the Cuyahoga meets Lake Erie and defined by its low level elevation.



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Towpath Trail at Scranton Flats



Rivergate Park



Ohio City Farm



Peninsulas

Defined by the Cuyahoga's unique river bends.

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ArcelorMittal Steel Mill



The Mississagi Lake Freighter



Osborne Concrete & Steel



Industrial Valley

South of the Innerbelt Bridge and current economic engine of the valley.

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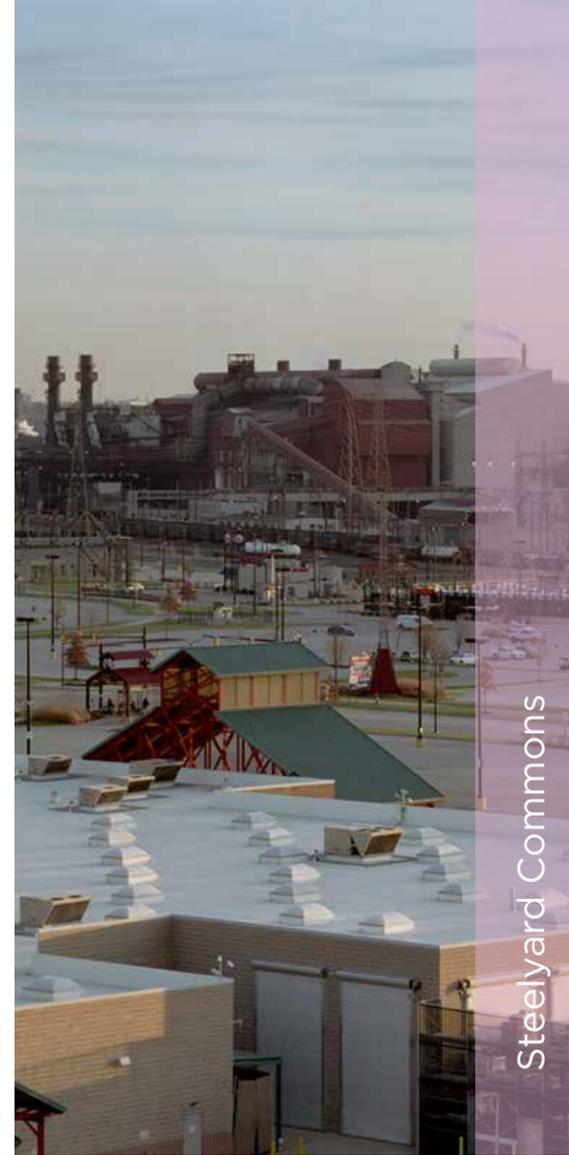
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Steelyards

Southernmost end defined by tributaries and recreational water users.



Steel Heritage Center



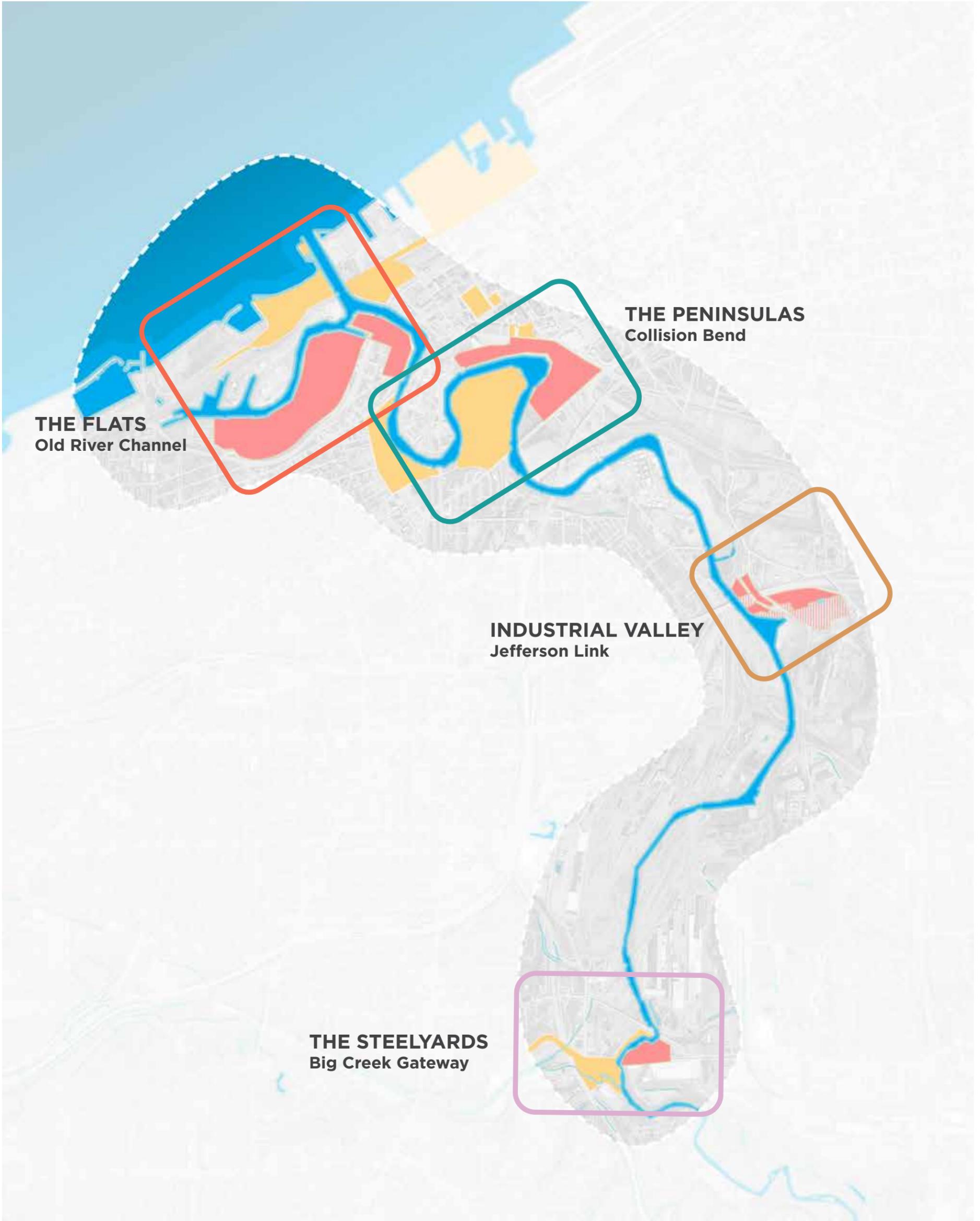
Steelyard Commons



Ohio and Erie Canal Reservation

FOCUS AREAS MAP

Focus Areas



OLD RIVER CHANNEL

INITIATIVES INFORMED BY COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Increase points of access to the water for residents and visitors.

1. Preserve Lakeview Terrace property as an affordable and desirable place to live, and provide new mixed-income options.
2. Infill the West Bank of the Flats District.
3. Incentivize developers to allocate a percentage of large-scale projects to include a local artist.
4. Partner with local organizations and developers to increase riverfront festivals, and markets.
5. Earmark funds from Great Lakes Water Authority for water quality initiatives and education.
6. Host events and work with partner organizations throughout the Valley to support continued awareness of ongoing efforts.

Improve interconnectivity and infrastructure for diverse modes of transportation.

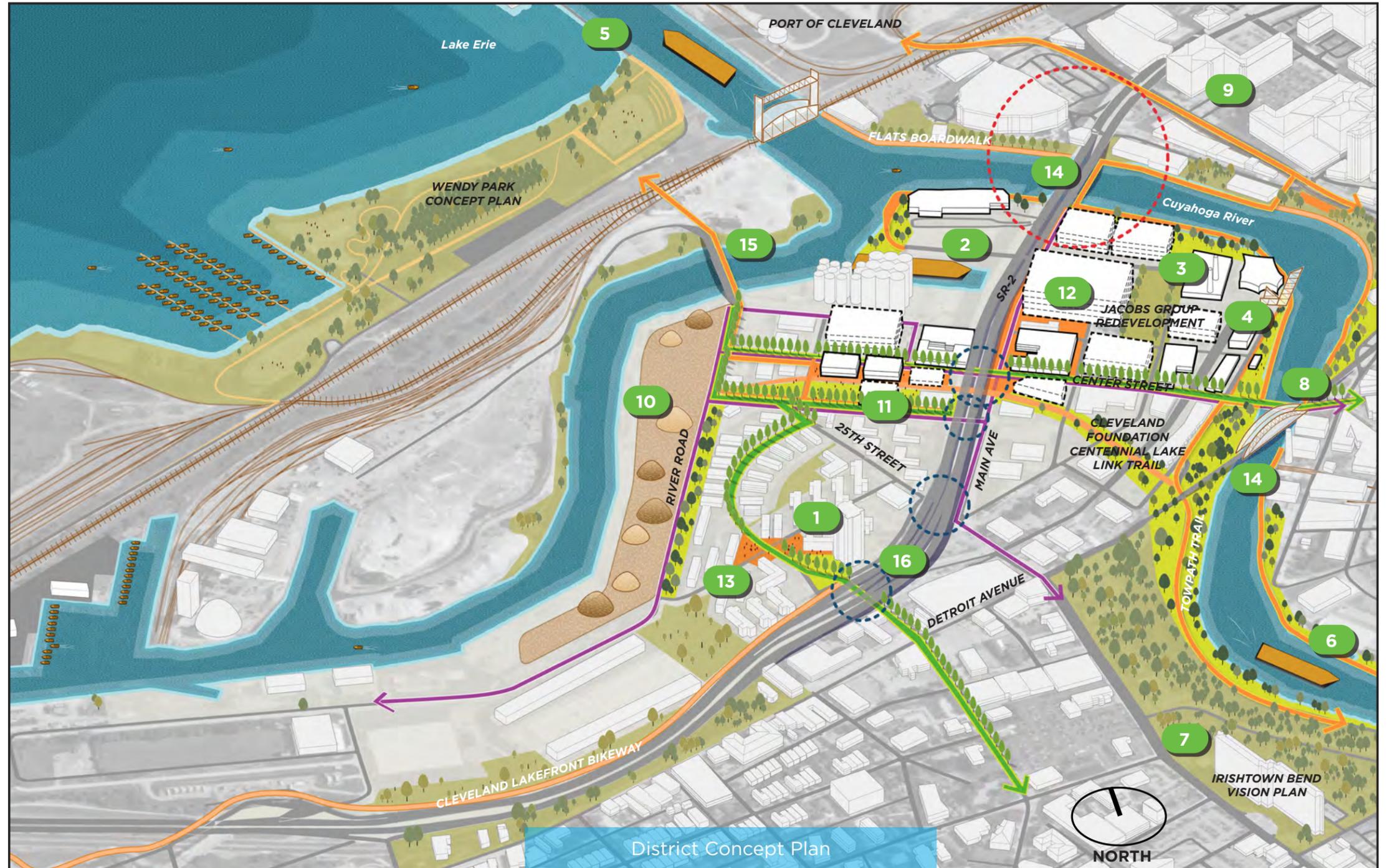
7. Coordinate and include connections to Towpath and surrounding neighborhood in the Irishtown Bend project and to Detroit Avenue path.
8. Automate bridge operations, from a central location.
9. Convert one RTA waterfront rail line to greenway.

Maintain industry and ship traffic but integrate it into other uses.

10. Integrate public art to activate industrial sites.
11. Create a series of overlay districts that support the voluntary relocation of industrial uses, encourage affordable housing, and access to nature.
12. Incentivize new developments to include essential retail that provides for community need.

Crooked river, bridges, lack of street grid make navigating the river valley difficult.

13. Upgrade sidewalks, parks, and other public facilities to meet ADA standards.
14. Implement iconic bridge pedestrian underpasses.
15. Improve connection to lakefront and provide additional pedestrian connections
16. Create better connectivity between the Lakeview Terrace residence and the Ohio City Neighborhood.



LEGEND

- ⊖ Gateway
- ⊖ Underpass Activation
- ↔ Complete Streets
- ↔ Existing Pedestrian & Bike Trails
- ↔ Pedestrian & Bike Improvements
- ↔ Trucking routes
- New/Enhanced Green Space
- Existing Green Space, or Previously Planned
- Activated Plaza
- Potential Redevelopment
- Anchor Building/Adaptive Reuse
- Existing Buildings

COLLISION BEND

INITIATIVES INFORMED BY COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Programming for individuals and groups is needed.

1. Encourage a mix of free and paid outdoor events.
2. Establish additional safe docking and public marinas at key locations in the Valley, such as Collision Bend, Canal Basin Park, and West Bank.

There is no clear destination/visitor draw.

3. Redevelop Collision Bend and Sherwin Williams property as a key mixed-use destination that 1) connects the River to downtown and entertainment venues, and 2) creates publicly-accessible spaces along the river.
4. Update zoning code to entice appropriate development and regulate parking.
5. Regularly maintain invasive species at the river's edge and along public trails.
6. Integrate fish habitat and kayak launches.

Streets are neither car or pedestrian friendly.

7. Create pedestrian connections between the river and downtown, via the Collision Bend Development.
8. Create a series of pedestrian walkways between Rocket Mortgage Field House, Progressive Field, and future redevelopment at Collision Bend.

Bridge operations need improvement.

9. Improve Eagle Road Bridge for pedestrian connections. (currently non-operable)

There is a lack of education regarding what has been done, status of what is now and expectations for the future and what is being done to get there.

10. Create directional, regulatory, and educational signage for recreational River users. Include docking/no docking, recreational refuge zone, and emergency egress signage.
11. Celebrate river restoration through public art.
12. Introduce Cuyahoga Valley Scenic RR Line.



LEGEND

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| | Trucking routes | | Paddling Put-In |
| | New/Enhanced Green Space | | Fish Habitat |
| | Existing Green Space, or Previously Planned | | Enhanced Ecological Zone |

JEFFERSON LINK

INITIATIVES INFORMED BY COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Increase safety and safe-use awareness for all users. It was setup for industrial freight movement and hasn't adapted to people movement.

1. Create separated bike facilities on key roads linked to a new river connection across the rail.
2. Ensure efficient and well-maintained trucking routes to and respect for existing industrial operations.
3. Plan for increased industrial and commercial uses in the Steelyards District with appropriately designed roadways to support large commercial truck operations and flexible spaces for loading or staging.

Improve awareness of the river, river valley, lake and its uses as it pertains to particular audiences.

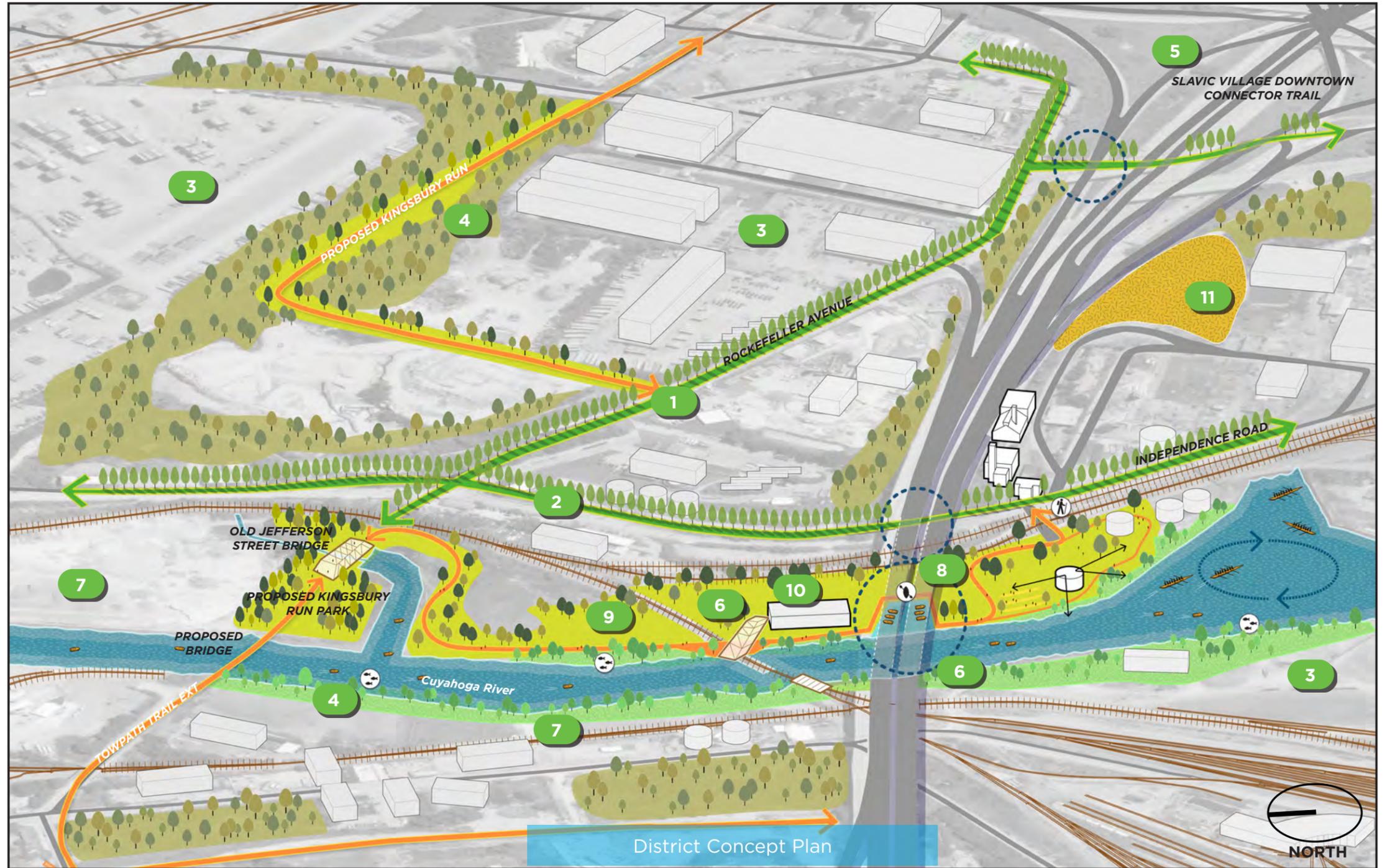
4. Provide additional guidance and/or funding for stormwater pilots and green infrastructure projects on privately-owned land.
5. Identify community ambassadors who can serve as a conduit between important planning milestones and their neighborhood.

Maintain industrial character and synergy between land side uses and the river uses, and share and build from its history.

6. Light up the Jack-Knife Bridge and create a public space at its landing and along entire length of shipping channel.
7. Establish guidelines for protecting riverfront conditions of waterfront dependent or adjacent industries.

Lack of clearly-designated passive public spaces.

8. Develop public river access space.
9. Develop public space at the Jefferson property, on the east side of the river.
10. Create a kayak storage and rental facility to expand river recreation resources.
11. Pilot Brownfield remediation projects.



BIG CREEK GATEWAY

INITIATIVES INFORMED BY COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Maintain/increase green space and nature throughout the river valley.

1. Develop public river access spaces at Cande Livery. Interpret site of 1969 fire.
2. Develop public space at the Big Creek interface with the Cuyahoga, on the west side of the river.

Provide habitats for native plants and animals, especially marine animals. Increase points of access to the water for residents and visitors.

3. Evaluate the condition of all river bulkheads, and create a capital improvement plan for them based on conditions and economic impacts.

Natural aging and erosion of river banks. Restoration, water quality improvement and environmental remediation still needed.

4. Restore native riparian landscapes along the riverfront to manage stormwater runoff, improve water quality, and improve the aesthetic quality of the River Valley.
5. Develop master plan for fish habitat coordination with existing and proposed uses, habitat connectivity, funding, implementation, and maintenance.
6. Pilot brownfield remediation projects like phyto-remediation in former Harshaw Chemical Site



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